

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

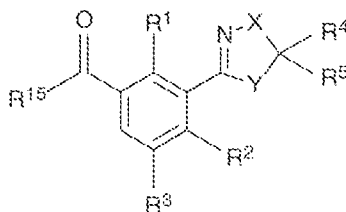
Cancel Claims 17-18, 21-23, 28-31, 34-42 and 46-52, amend Claim 28, and enter new Claims 53-55, as indicated in the following Listing of the Claims:

1. - 20. (*canceled*)

21. (*previously presented*) A composition comprising a herbicidally active amount of at least one 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl compound of the formula I or of the agriculturally useful salt of I defined in claim 28, and auxiliaries conventionally used for the formulation of crop protection products.

22. - 27. (*canceled*)

28. (*currently amended*) A 3-heterocyclyl-substituted benzoyl compound of the formula I



wherein

X is O;

R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>2</sub>-alkyl, ~~methoxy or methylsulfonyl~~;

R<sup>2</sup> is ~~nitro, halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylthio, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfinyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkylsulfonyl or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-haloalkylsulfonyl~~;

R<sup>3</sup> is hydrogen, ~~halogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl~~;

R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen ~~or methyl~~, and R<sup>5</sup> is hydrogen;

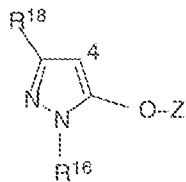
Y is CR<sup>13</sup>R<sup>14</sup>;

R<sup>13</sup>, R<sup>14</sup> are hydrogen, ~~C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-haloalkoxycarbonyl or CONR<sup>7</sup>R<sup>8</sup>~~;

R<sup>7</sup> is hydrogen ~~or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkyl~~;

R<sup>8</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>4</sub>-alkyl;

R<sup>15</sup> is a pyrazole of the formula II which is linked in the 4-position



wherein

R<sup>16</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>-alkyl;

Z is H; and

R<sup>18</sup> is hydrogen or methyl.

29. *(canceled)*

30. *(previously presented)* 4-[2-Methyl-3-(4,5-dihydroisoxazol-3-yl)-4-methylsulfonyl]benzoyl-1-methyl-5-hydroxy-1H-pyrazole.

31. - 35. *(canceled)*

36. *(previously presented)* The 3-heterocycl-yl-substituted benzoyl compound of the formula I defined in claim 28, wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methyl.

37. - 52. *(canceled)*

53. *(new)* The 3-heterocycl-yl-substituted benzoic acid compound of the formula I defined in claim 28, wherein R<sup>2</sup> is methylsulfonyl.

54. *(new)* The 3-heterocycl-yl-substituted benzoic acid compound of the formula I defined in claim 28, wherein R<sup>16</sup> is methyl.

55. *(new)* The 3-heterocycl-yl-substituted benzoic acid compound of the formula I defined in claim 28, wherein R<sup>18</sup> is hydrogen.